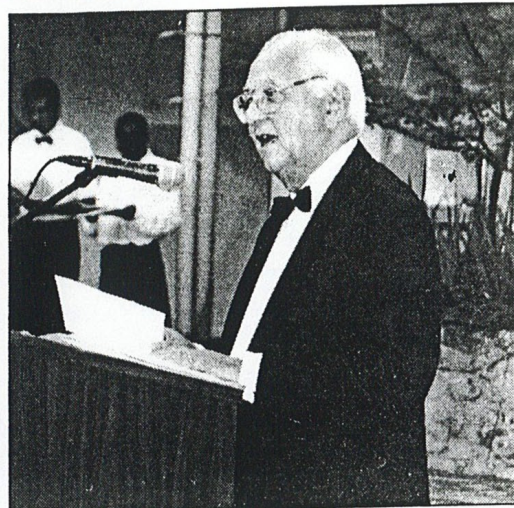


Warm opening of exposition by Surinam artist Waldy Simson



Evelino Fingal is clearly very happy with the new painting by Waldy Simson. Far right Elvis Lopez.



Hubert Booi.

The official opening of Surinam artist Waldy Simson's exposition in the Instituto di Cultura was very special. Many of his former countrymen and -women and other interested parties had come out to attend the opening, which had the same warmth and closeness one encounters while at a family party in Surinam. Rufo Odor and his Vocal Ensemble Sranan sang the opening songs: Palabra di Bonbini, Balia di Seu, Mijn dank and Da lobi foe mi kondre, which means I love my country.

The voices of the choir mingled perfectly and the intimacy of the courtyard of the Instituto di Cultura enhanced the special feeling which surrounded this opening. Hubert

Booi was the first speaker of the evening: he recited a poem by multi-talented Waldy Simson called Aruba. We hereby print the words of the poem, which was translated by Rufo Odor.

Aruba

Incansablemente mi wowonan tabata balia Bo beyesa terenal i bo briyante solo Tabata toka pa mi e musika di mas bunita

Bo solo a hasimi sinti Bo brasa kaluroso Bo solo ku nunka ta baha

Bo playanan ta presioso I kasi sonjando di plaser Mi tabata mira e kolornan di Rembrandt Den bo propio lama

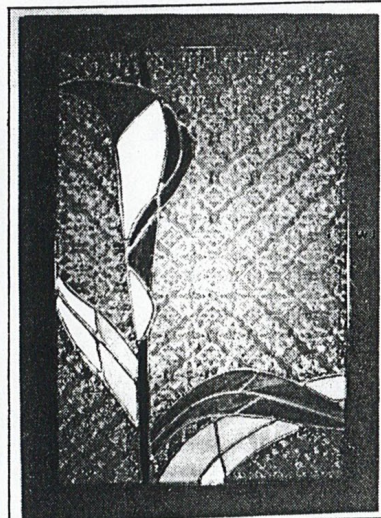
This poem was dedicated to Waldy Simson's Aruban friends, whom he thanked right before the door of the exposition room opened. Emcee of the evening was his friend Lenny Denz.

The official opening was by Rufo Odor; he was assisted by fellow-artist Elvis Lopez and director of the Instituto di Cultura Evelino Fingal. After a rather long interval of a medley of music and voices, the painting by Waldy Simson, which he donates to the Instituto, was revealed.

The artist is multi-faceted: he writes poetry and music, he is an expert in creating 'Tiffany' style mirrors and objects, he engraves and paints and makes ceramics. Besides all that he is a teacher of mathematics. He has had several



One of the paintings by the Surinam artist.



Tiffany-style art-deco is the artist's specialty.

expositions in the Netherlands, Bonaire, Aruba and Surinam. Those present clearly enjoyed his works of art and there was much interest in his book 'Liederen en Gedichten van Simson'.

The exposition by this Surinam artist is open during business hours in the Instituto di Cultura till June 19th. The artist was sponsored by Surinam Airways, ALM, the Aruba Trading Company, Licores Aruba and Travel Agency METS. 'Duna arte un lugar digno den bo vida' - give art a worthy place in your life - is Waldy Simson's motto.



An excellent performance by Rufo Odor's vocal ensemble Sranan.



Waldy Simson is also an accomplished sculptor.

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